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Notice of Drafting:

The Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) proposes to issue new regulations governing requirements and standards to be used by the Commission for evaluating applications for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) and making annual certification of ETC compliance to the Federal Communications Commission. Interested persons may submit comments to the Public Service Commission, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Please reference Docket Number 2006-37-C. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on August 1, 2006.

Synopsis:

On January 9, 2006, the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) filed a Petition asking the Commission to initiate a rule-making proceeding to determine whether multiple ETCs should be authorized and to develop a single set of eligibility standards for ETC designation. On January 31, 2006, in Order No. 2006-71, the Commission granted the ORS's Petition. The Commission held that a rule-making proceeding should be scheduled to examine the requirements and standards to be used by the Commission when evaluating applications for ETC status and when making annual certification of ETC compliance to the Federal Communications Commission.

Legislative review of this proposal will be required.